UPDATE-Pedestrian Struck-Route 40 at Wilton Blvd.-New Castle



New Castle— The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a motor vehicle crash in which a pedestrian has been struck and killed.

The incident occurred at approximately 5:31 p.m., Thursday, November 16, 2017, on U.S. 40 (Pulaski Highway), westbound, east of the intersection with Wilton Boulevard, New Castle.

A 2004 Acura TL, being driven by a 38 year old Newark man, was traveling U.S. 40 westbound approaching Wilton Boulevard. A pedestrian, identified as Rosa Martinez, 67, of New Castle, was walking northbound across the westbound lanes of U.S. 40, when she was struck by the Acura. After impact the Acura came to a controlled stop and remained at the scene.

Martinez was treated on scene by New Castle County Paramedics before being transported to Christiana Hospital where she succumbed to her injuries.

The initial investigation has revealed that the victim was wearing all dark clothing at the time of the collision. It was also determined that she was crossing the roadway against a red signal, and without utilizing a designated pedestrian crosswalk. At this time impairment on behalf of the victim is unknown.

Impairment is not being considered a factor on behalf of the Acura driver.

If anyone has information regarding this incident they are asked to contact Sgt. D. Alexander of the Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit at 302-365-8484.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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